

Speaker Registration/Testimony

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 Meeting Date 07-12-2017
 Council/PH Committee Council
 Agenda Item Bill 52
 Your position on the matter Oppose
 Representing Organization
 Organization The Tahitienne, Inc.
 Do you wish to speak at the hearing? Yes

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My name is Robert Gentry and I am the President of The Tahitienne, Inc., a 28 unit cooperative residential building in Waikiki. We are the first residential building to be listed on the Historic Register in Honolulu. Our Corporation opposes this property tax change and joins the Historic Hawaii Foundation in its position.

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In addition, I wish to highlight a severe inequity in the treatment of historic residential properties, and ask for your help in correcting the discrimination. Our building was listed on the historic register in 2010, and we have yet to receive permission to install a plaque on our property, or receive any property tax relief. Yet, we are residential, meet all the requirements, uphold the standards and spirit of being on the historic registry. We are available for public viewing, and participate in tours and other public events celebrating the history of Honolulu. We spend thousands every year in maintaining the architectural integrity of our building, yet we are treated differently from other residential structures. This discrimination needs to end, and we need your assistance in making sure that happens. We deserve to have a plaque on our building, and receive equitable property tax relief. Please help!

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